hearing the parties again, and calling for further evidence or enquiry where this may be found to be necessary. This procedure saves time and trouble to parties and witnesses who would otherwise often have to go long distances to the Court of the Assistant Commissioner or Deputy Commissioner.

Subject No. 193.
Hulbanni to non-resident land-holders.

Summary of discussion.—Even non-resident raiyats should be allowed to take part in the Hulbanni of a village, if they hold lands in that village though they may not reside therein.

Dewan's reply.—No change in existing rules is necessary. Under the Land Revenue Rules, the Deputy Commissioner has discretion to make needful arrangements to reconcile all wants and interests as far as possible.

Subject No. 194.
Patel's permission before gathering arecanut crop.

Summary of discussion.—Every time that the arecanut crop is gathered, the permission of the Patel has to be obtained. This restriction should be dispensed with. It often happens that the Patel is absent or through ill-will makes some objection or other.

Dewan's reply.—Noted for consideration with the questions relating to supari land assessment and halat. The rule is not that the Patel's permission should be obtained but rather that intimation should be given to him.

Subject No. 195.
Honge and Tangadi leaves from State Forests for manure.

Summary of discussion.—Cultivators of wet lands should be allowed to take Honge and Tangadi leaves from State and District Forests for manure.

NOTE.—A similar representation was made by Mr. Sugatur Venkataramanaiya (R. M. from Sidlaghatta Taluk, Kolar District).

Dewan's reply.—This cannot be done. But facilities for growing Honge and Tangadi for manure are under consideration. (*Vide* Subjects Nos. 139 and 152 of last year's Proceedings.)

Subject No. 196.
Water-supply project for Tumkur.

Summary of discussion.—It is requested that proper water-supply may be secured to the town of Tumkur as attempted already. In 1888, Mr. Krishna Murti Rao, the then Deputy Commissioner, wrote to Government for sanction to a project, but no reply as yet has been received.

Dewan's reply.—The subject will be considered.

Subject No. 197.
Trade and shop-tax in Tumkur District Municipalities.

Summary of discussion.—According to Circular No. 23 of 1887 issued by the then Deputy Commissioner, Municipal house-tax is levied on shops in Municipalities in addition to the mohatarfa shop-tax. It is requested that out of the two taxes (one on the trade and the other on the building wherein such trade is carried on), only one may be retained and the other remitted.